



## SAMPLE PROCLAMATION TEXT

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Below is sample text for a proclamation of Older Americans Month 2004. Note that this wording is only a suggestion; you may wish to adjust the text to address issues or data of local concern.

#### PROCLAMATION OLDER AMERICANS MONTH MAY 2004

WHEREAS, [your geographical area of jurisdiction] is home to more than [insert number] citizens aged 60 years old or older; and

WHEREAS, the older citizens of [your geographical area of jurisdiction] are representative of an unprecedented trend in the nation's demographic makeup; and

WHEREAS, older persons are, as citizens and community members, entitled to lives of dignity and independence, free from the fears, myths and misconceptions about aging; and

WHEREAS, as America grows older, each community must strive to understand and address the evolving challenges and needs of our older citizens and the people who care for them; and

WHEREAS, our society is dependent upon the nurturing, support, and resources shared between generations, and benefits from our mutual efforts to meet the needs of America's older persons and those who love them;

NOW THEREFORE WE, the [name of body approving proclamation], do hereby proclaim the month of May 2004 as ***Older Americans Month***.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

[name of body approving proclamation]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

